25X1A COLOSSITIONALIN SOME Approved For Retease:2001111/23:1014-RDP82-00457R00200060004-3 COUNTRY Egypt/Syria/Transjordan DATE DISTR. 25 October 1948 SUBJECT Spanish Arms Contract with Arab League NO. OF PAGES 1 25X1A NO. OF ENCLS. 25X1A (LISTED BELOW) 25X1A SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. 25X1X 25X1X Pedro PRATS y de Suza (or Soutzo), an inspector for the Spanish Falange and Chief of the Spanish Intelligence Service in the Middle East, arrived in Egypt in July. There he saw 'Abd-al-Rahman 'Azzam Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab League, and later saw King 'Abdullah of Transjordan and Jamil Mardam, Prime Minister of Syria, in their respective countries. He is believed to have negotiated a contract with the Arab League for 25X1A arms from Spain. (Comment. PRATS y de Suza was appointed Spanish Minister to Turkey in 1940, and he was suspected of carrying out in Turkey intrigues similar to those of which he had been guilty in Rumania while Minister in that country, where he was known to have served as cover for the Germans when they were preparing to occupy Rumania. Another report states that PRATS y de Suza served as an agent for Franz Von Papen in Ankara; he was transferred to Finland by Franco when the latter was seeking the favor of the Allies. Negotiations to produce Spanish arms have been reported previously 25X1A in Jean Sihnawi, honorary Spanish Consul in Damascus and a friend of many influential Spaniards, was mentioned as the key figure in these negotiations. F-3.) This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the letter of 16 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States. Review Date: 2008 Document No

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